

- 1 On page 2, line 2, move ~~up~~ so that it appears after "ball".
- 2 On page 2, line 3, delete ~~which~~ and replace with - - that - -.
- 3 On page 2, line 11, after "use" insert - - , - -.
- 4 On page 2, line 12, after "still" insert - - a - -.
- 5 On page 2, line 17, delete ~~your~~ and replace with - - one's - -.
- 6 On page 2, line 19, after "Also" delete ~~,~~.
- 7 On page 3, line 2, after "6" delete ~~.~~.
- 8 On page 3, line 5, delete ~~including~~ and replace with - - includes - -.
- 9 On page 3, line 21, after "sides" insert - - , - -.
- 10 On page 3, line 24, delete ~~equally~~ and replace with - - equal - -.
- 11 On page 3, line 26, delete ~~apart~~.
- 12 On page 4, line 7, after "inches" insert - - , - -.
- 13 On page 4, line 12, after the first "to" insert - - the - -.
- 14 On page 4, line 18, after "fingers" insert - - , - -.
- 15 1. In the Claims:
- 16 Kindly cancel Claims 2 and 4, and amend Claims 1 and 5 as follows:

- 17 X. (Once Amended) A ball throwing apparatus, comprising:
- 18 a. an elongated shaft having a longitudinal axis and opposite distal and proximal
- 19 ends; and
- 20 b. a [ball engaging means] half-spherical structure integrally formed on said
- 21 distal end of said elongated shaft, said [ball engaging means] half-spherical structure having
- 22 an opening capable of snap-fitting and engaging a ball while holding said proximal end of
- 23 said elongated shaft [and forcibly inserting said ball engaging means around the ball], said